GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT

Public Servants - Sri Shaik Salam, former Project Director, DWAMA, Guntur District presently working as Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Srikakulam - Departmental Proceedings under Rule-20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1991 – Article of Charge – issued.

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7. This order is sent to **Sri Shaik Salam, the then Project Director, DWAMA, Guntur District**, in-duplicate. He is directed to acknowledge the receipt with date on the duplicate copy and return the same to the Government immediately.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Shaik Salam, the then Project Director, DWAMA, Guntur District presently working as Divisional Forest Officer, SF Division, Srikakulam
[Through the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad.]

Copy to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad. He is requested to serve the GO on the Member of Service, obtain his acknowledgement on the duplicate copy and furnish the same to the Government immediately.

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ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI SHAIK SALAM, DY.CF.

Sri Shaik Salam, Dy.CF while working as Project Director, DWAMA, Guntur District during the period from 12.09.2007 to 12.06.2008 committed the irregularities mentioned in the following Article of Charge:

Article : I That Sri Shaik Salam, Dy.CF former Project Director, DWAMA, Guntur District failed in supervision and discharge of his duties entrusted to him in monitoring NREGS works while execution of comprehensive restoration of M.I Tank work, Devarampadu village Rajupalem mandal, Guntur District thereby resulting in Misappropriation of NREGS funds to a tune of Rs.15,20,293/-

Brief facts of the Case:-

On receipt of the reliable information the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada Range along with staff conducted a surprise check on the work of "Comprehensive Restoration programme of Minor irrigation Tank, Devarampadu Village, Rajupalem Mandal Guntur District, executed under NREGS (National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme) on 26.05.2010. On verification of the records it was revealed that an amount of Rs.19,47,377/- was paid during the period between May and November 2008. Out of which an amount of Rs.14,28,797/- was paid to Sri Yerramsetty Krishna Murthy, Sarpanch of Devarampadu village towards supply of material and Rs.5,18,580/- was paid to Sri Santhoshimatha Grama Samaikya, Devarampadu who supplied skilled and unskilled labour for the execution of said work. During the inspection conducted on 05.08.2010, the value of work actually done was assessed by the technically qualified authorities and it was worked out to Rs.4,27,084/-(Four lakhs twenty seven thousand Eighty four Rupees only). Therefore an amount of Rs.15,20,293/- was found to be misappropriated (Rs.19,47,377-00 – 4,27,084-00 = Rs. 15,20,293-00).

According to the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act-2005 and G.O.Ms.No.80 PR&RD(RD-II) department dated 22.03.2006, the Project Director, District Water Management Agency shall act as Additional District Programme Co-ordinator, who will work under the direct, control and Supervision of the District Programme Co-ordinator. The Project Director will head the EGS unit at the district level and shall be responsible for overall programme Management at the district level.

Sri Shaik Salam, worked as PD, DWAMA, Guntur during the period from 12.09.2007 to 12.06.2008. The work relating to comprehensive restoration of MI Tank at Devaramapadu Village commenced on 09.05.2008 i.e. during the tenure of the individual as Project Director. Totally, an amount of Rs.1,90,00,000/- was released for Rajupalem Mandal for the execution of NREGS works including this MI Tank work in question, with the approval and sanction of the Collector and District Programme Coordinator, NREGS, AP, Guntur. Being the Head of the Unit at the District level he should act under the direct control of the Dist., Collector in terms of G.O.Ms.No.80, PR & RD (RD.II), dated 22.03.2006.

It is mandatory on the part of the Project Directors to conduct periodical inspections of the works in the district. Had this been done properly at proper time, the contingencies if any, would have come to light then and there. Lack of supervision over the works resulted in misappropriation of Government funds at Mandal level.

Thus he failed to maintain devotion to duty and exhibited conduct of unbecoming of a Government employee, and violated the provisions of Rule 3 (1) (2) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence the charge

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ANNEXURE – II

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI SHAIK SALAM, DY.CF ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED .

1. PR&RD (VIG.IV) Department, U.O.Note No.19643/Vig./A1/2014-3 dt.20.02.2015,
2. DG. ACB, A.P., Hyd C.No.102/RCO-VGT/2010-S17, dt:27.10.2014

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI SHAIK SALAM, DY.CF ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

- NIL -

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